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UZBEK CAR TURNOVER LAGS

SVERDLOVSK SYSTEM SURPASSING PLAN -- Gudok, No 54, 29 May 49

During the first quarter 1949 the Sverdlovsk Railroad System (head, V. Oborotov) speeded up the turnover of railroad cars 22.6 hours and in May has almost reached the prewar rate. The system released one million rubles of working capital during the first quarter and 550,000 rubles during April. Operating costs during the first quarter were 4.8 percent below the plan and 20 percent lower than during the first quarter 1948. Savings amounted to 10 million rubles. The revenue plan for the first 4 months was exceeded, and above-plan profits amounted to 33,754,000 rubles; losses from spoiled cargoes amounted to about 9 million rubles during this period.

Pravda, No 155, 4 Jun 49

The Sverdlovsk Railroad System realized more than 27 million rubles in above-plan returns in the first quarter 1949. Of this, 3½ million rubles have been put in the directors' fund, some of which is being used for further improvement of living conditions for employees of the Sverdlovsk Classification Yard.

Gudok, No 66, 3 Jun 49

Workers of the Sverdlovsk Sorting Station made up 1,430 trains above plan in 1948. Average daily above-plan handling of cars in the hump yard amounted to 494 cars.

LEVINAKAN RAIL WORKERS EXTEND LOCOMOTIVE RUNS -- Kommunist, No 113, 21 May 49

Workers at the Leninakan railroad yard have achieved some success in extending the runs of locomotives. One worker increased by 10,000 kilometers the norm run of 70,000 kilometers between locomotive overhauling. Although the norm run between washings is 7,500 kilometers, one worker has increased

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this to 10,000 kilometers and another to 11,500. Workers have also increased the norm run of locomotives between capital repairs. One worker extended this run to 110,000 kilometers, another to 180,000 kilometers, and still another to 360,000 kilometers.

KAZALINSK RAILROAD WORKERS EFFICIENT -- Kazakhstanskaya Pravda, No 98, 21 May 49

Railroad men of Kazalinsk junction are working hard to accumulate savings above the plan. Three outstanding brigades have transported more than half a million tons of freight above plan and have saved 800 tons of fuel since the beginning of the year.

The washing shop has accelerated the production cycle and reduced the planned cost for each locomotive 230 rubles. More than 20 Stakhanovites in the shop have already fulfilled their 5-year quotas. Two are working on their 1954 quotas.

UZBEK FREIGHT CAR TURNOVER LAGS -- Pravda Vostoka, No 98, 20 May 49

Due to a recent increase in freight volume in the Central Asia Railroad Otkrug and on the Tashkent Railroad System, turnover of freight cars is lagging seriously. Many organizations and enterprises are holding freight cars beyond the established time. Especially delinquent are the Republic "Zagotserno" (Grain Procurement) Bureau (head, Sveshnikov), the electric cable plant (director, Safonov), "Uzbekpromstroy" (Uzbek Industrial Enterprises Construction) Trust (head, Krasnokutskiy), and the "Uzbekugol" Trust (head, Rozhkov).

KARAGANDA TRUNK LINE HAS SAVING -- Kazakhstanskaya Pravda, No 98, 21 May 49

The Administration of the Karaganda Trunk Line has transmitted 600,000 rubles to the Ministry of Transportation as the first payment on the sum which the railroad has released by accelerating the production cycle of working capital.

FAR EAST RAILROAD COMPLETES APRIL PLANS -- Tikhookeanskaya Zvezda, No 103, 4 May 49

The Far Eastern Railroad System fulfilled the April plan for loading 134 percent and for unloading, 120 percent.

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